

Grant application form - Project v2018 - A

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A short CV of the applicant (or the principal investigator) should be provided here.	<p>The Reproductive Health Training Center of the Republic of Moldova (RHTC) is a non-profit, non-governmental organization, founded in 1998, with the mission to protect and promote reproductive and sexual health and rights in Moldova. Since its creation, RHTC has struggled to ensure equal access to good quality reproductive health services to all the women, including adolescents and women from social marginalized groups, to provide education for sexual and reproductive rights and health among medical audiences and community members in Moldova.</p> <p>During 2005-2015, the Center had been the coordinating organization of the International Consortium for Medical Abortion (ICMA).</p> <p>RHTC is a member of the European Society of Contraception, European network ASTRA, International Union Against Cancer (UICC), International Campaign for Women's Right to Safe Abortion, and Association for Women's Rights in Development (AWID), FIAPAC, GDC, etc.</p> <p>From 1 January 2015 RHTC has been the coordination office of the Regional Training Centre on the Development and Implementation of Clinical Protocols for Reproductive Health.</p> <p>The center was nominated for "Most Active NGOs in Health" Health Awards Gala, 2015 edition.</p> <p>So far, RHTC successfully managed the implementation of 29 projects, with the support of WHO, UNFPA, Ministry of Health of the Republic of Moldova, State University of Medicine and Pharmacy "Nicolae Testemitanu", national and international NGOs working in the reproductive rights and sexual health field as Gynuity Health Projects, CRR, FIGO.</p>
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Is the person responsible for the project different to the person named in box A	No
Title of the project	Knowledge, perception and use of contraceptives among young people in Moldova

Comprehensive description of the project: rationale, methods, approach, outcome (max 500 words)

The Republic of Moldova is one of the countries with a high rate of abortion and HIV-AIDS among young people. The incidence of HIV among young people aged 15-24 has increased during last decade from 16.08 new cases per 100,000 inhabitants in 2006 to 21.28 per 100 thousand inhabitants in 2012.

The incidence of sexually transmitted infections among youth in Moldova is one of the highest in the region - about 180 new cases per 100,000 population of aged 15-24, about 50% higher than in the general population. Each 10th abortion is performed in a young girl aged 15-19 years. A study conducted in 2012 shows that of the total number of sexually active teenagers aged 15-19, only half used constantly the condom during the last year and about 20% did not indicate the use of contraceptive methods in current practice.

These health indicators reflect a limited access to information and contraceptive services, especially for adolescents in rural area.

From the communication with the young patients, with students of the Medical University, we found out, that there are many myths, related to modern contraceptives, especially hormonal, and many misconceptions, leading to negative attitude and refusal to use contraception.

Their documentation, as well as the identification of their sources, of the attitudes toward using them and of the barriers of accessing contraceptives would be very important. It would allow us to design new, targeted, informational-educational-communication programme for young community, and increase their level of knowledge, thus - increase the use of modern contraceptives.

In order to achieve these goals, we will conduct an Internet based survey with the use of self-administered questionnaire, distributed via Facebook and other social-media channels. The data will be collected with the help of the students from the State Medical and Pharmacy University of Moldova and the network of peer-to-peer educators "Y-Peer Moldova" in the group aged 15-24 years. In the questionnaires, they will be asked about their attitude toward contraception, their experience of using or not using it, myths they know, their exact source of this information (web pages, etc.), and barriers of the use.

When would it start / finish? (Max 20 words)

September 2018 - September 2019

Where will it take place – country / town, establishment? (Max 20 words)

Moldova

Objectives and needs identified. (Max 100 words)

In the actual context of Moldova, it is highly important to identify and address the myths, misconceptions and negative beliefs, their sources, barriers of youth in accessing contraceptives. Study objectives are:

1. The identification of the myths, negative beliefs and attitudes, related to modern contraceptives and their sources
2. The identification of the barriers on accessing contraceptives and reasons of not use
3. Increasing the level of knowledge on modern contraceptives among young people, by elaboration of Internet and social media based information package, answering to the identified myths and misconceptions and encouraging the use of family planning methods.

Sector in the area of contraception, sexual and reproductive health:

Overcoming the myths, misconceptions and increasing the knowledge on and the use of modern contraceptives in youth.

<p>Is it a 'new' project?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>What outcomes will be measured? List. (Max 50 words)</p>	<p>1.The myths, their sources and barriers in accessing contraceptives among yang people will be documented and disseminated to stakeholders in national conference. 2. The elaborated infopackage will increase the knowledge on contraception of yang people and it's usage. 3.Findings of the study will be presented at the next ESC Conference</p>
<p>Do you foresee any reasons (political, climatic, etc) why this project may be adversely affected? (Max 20 words)</p>	<p>No. We expect support from the stakeholders: FP is one of the priority area in the National Programme on SRHR.</p>
<p>Are there other partners or organisations supporting this same project?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Will this be part of a larger fund or stand alone? (Max 20 words)</p>	<p>It will be stand alone fund.</p>
<p>Have you already obtained any funding or still awaiting a response towards this project?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>How much money is required for the project in total?</p>	<p>13.000 Euro</p>
<p>How much are you requesting from ESC?</p>	<p>10.000 Euro</p>
<p>Please provide a detailed budget here. This must include total costs and, if appropriate, list those costs associated with your grant from the ESC.</p>	<p>Requested amount of money: 10 000 Euro</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - costs related to questionnaire elaboration (selection, translation) - 1000 Euro -costs related to sampling design of questionnaire -500 Euro -costs related to staff involvement (sociologist and assistant honoraria, data collection, project supervising, statistical analysis) - 3000 Euro - costs related to participation at the 16th ESC Conference (flight, accommodation) - 1000 Euro - analysis of the findings, presentations, charts (ppt), writing article - 2000 Euro -elaboration of the Info Package on modern contraceptives for social media channels and translation into Russian - 2000 Euro - communication and other costs- 400 Euro -bank fee 1% - 100 Euro <p>Total requested amount from ESC 10000 Euro</p> <p>RHTC contribution: office equipment (Internet, computers, copy machine, laptops, phones, etc), costs related to the meetings of the working group, etc) and costs of the financial management - 3000 Euro</p>

The ESC may not be in a position to fully fund all applications; you must indicate whether / how part funding may impact your project. (Max 100 words)

If we obtain part funding, we will limit the study to a certain group of adolescents, easier to reach. Also, the info package, we plan to elaborate will be only in one language, in Romanian and not in Russian.

Who will oversee the budget & keep accounts? Provide name, title, contact number and email address

Casu Tatiana, financial manager, telephone number: +373 68 620897; email: casu.tania85@gmail.com

If you or your department has received funding from ESC for a project or course before, please give details of the date of funding, contact person and title of project or course.

We haven't received any funding from ESC.

I/We, as responsible agents for this project, agree to the following 8 points:

	yes
I/We agree that all monies will be spent appropriately	
I/We agree to work with the nominated Mentor	
I/We agree to advise you at the earliest time if this project is delayed or cannot be completed	
I/We agree to provide an interim report(s) part way through the project and a final report to the ESC within 6 months of the end of the project.	
I/We agree to provide the ESC with an interim budget(s) and a detailed budget at the end of the project. NOTE funding will be awarded in stages and will be dependent on appropriate reporting.	
I/We agree to provide receipts for monies spent if requested.	
I/We agree that if we need to make any significant changes to the duration, contents or funding of the project after it has been awarded, I/we will advise the nominated mentor.	
I/We (the applicant) agree to acknowledge the ESC as a donor in any publications, submission of abstracts and oral communications resulting from this project. Please inform the ESC Office where and when the data is to be presented and/or published and note that ideally any manuscript should be sent to the ESC journal in the first instance.	
I/We agree to remain fully paid up ESC member(s) until the final grant report is submitted	

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